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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Iowa

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2016-present
Water Sustainability Initiative

RESEARCH AREAS

Rural development, migration, distributive politics, public goods provision,
environmental policy, water management and governance, ethnic politics, China.

EDUCATION

University of Colorado Boulder, Ph.D. in Political Science, December 2015
Dissertation: "Drinking Water Provision in Rural China."

University of Colorado Boulder, M.A., Political Science, 2010

Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, B.A, Political Science with honors, 2004

PUBLICATIONS

Nelson-Nuñez, Jami and Elise Pizzi. 2018. "Governance and Water Progress for the Rural Poor." *Global Governance*.

Pizzi, Elise. 2017. "Does Labor Migration Improve Access to Public Goods in Source Communities? Evidence from Rural China." *Journal of Chinese Political Science*.

Dilling, Lisa, Elise Pizzi, John Berggren, Ashwin Ravikumar, and Krister Andersson. 2017. "Drivers of Adaptation: Responses to weather- and climate-related hazards in 60 local governments in the Intermountain Western U.S." *Environment and Planning A*.

Liu, Amy and Elise Pizzi. 2016. "The Language of Economic Growth: A New Measure of Linguistic Heterogeneity." *British Journal of Political Science*.

Burch, Michael and Elise Pizzi. 2014. "Local Fights in National Conflicts: Understanding Patterns of Violence during Intrastate Conflict." *Civil Wars*.

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

“Ethnicity and Government Provision of Drinking Water Infrastructure in Rural China”
Revise and Resubmit.

“Natural Disasters, Forced Migration, and Conflict: The Importance of Government Policy Responses.” With Sara McLaughlin Mitchell. *Revise and Resubmit.*

“Does Government Policy Shape Migration Decisions? The Case of China’s *Hukou* System.” With Hu Yue.

“Strategic Targeting: The Islamic State Use of Violence in Iraq and Syria.” With Michael Burch.

“Managed Mobilization: Ethnic Identity and Participation in China.” With Wenfang Tang.

WORKING PAPERS

“Breaking through the Linguistic Barrier: Government Language Policy and Migration in China.” With Hu Yue. Presented at Association of Chinese Political Studies and American Political Science Association, 2019.

“Environmental Protection as Development: Policy, Poverty, and Land Use in Rural China.” Presented at Southwest Workshop on Multi-Methods Research, 2018.

“How Ethnic Identity Affects Perception of Social Status and Mobility in China.” With Yu “Erico” Dong. Presented at Midwest Political Science Association, 2017.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

“Research Experience for Undergraduates: Interdisciplinary Geospatial Approaches to Watershed Science.” National Science Foundation. (Faculty Mentor) (2018-2020)

Center for Asian Studies Faculty Research Award: “Migration and the State: Development and Politics in Rural China.” 2018

Old Gold Research Fellowship. University of Iowa. 2017

Fulbright Research Grant, China. 2013-2014

Fulbright Critical Language Enhancement Award (CLEA), Chinese language. 2013

Boren Fellowship, China (offer declined). 2013-2014

University of Colorado Grants

United Government of Graduate Students, Individual Travel Grant. 2014

Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) fellowship, Chinese language and history. 2012-2013

Beverly Sears Graduate Student Grant, dissertation fieldwork in China. 2013

Beverly Sears Graduate Student Grant, pre-dissertation fieldwork in China. 2012

University of Colorado Political Science Department Grants

Summer Writing Grant. 2015

Conference Travel Grant, Midwest Political Science Association Conference. 2014

Field Research Grant, dissertation fieldwork in China. 2013

Field Research Grant, pre-dissertation research in China. 2012

Field Research Grant, research on forced migration, Republic of Georgia. 2010

Other Grants

Grinnell College Trustee Honor Scholarship. 2000-2004

GRANTS APPLIED FOR

- 2019 “Environmental Shocks, Migration, and Civil Conflict: The Importance of Government Policy Responses.” Co-PI. Department of Defense. Office of Naval Research: Minerva Program. \$989,717. *Under Review*
- 2018 “A Coupled Process-Based Approach for a Sustainable Food, Energy, and Water Nexus at the Watershed Scale.” Co-PI. NSF/NSFC. *Rejected.*
- 2017 “Actionable Science for Smart and Connected Watershed Communities.” NSF. (Senior Personnel). \$5 million. *Rejected.*
- 2017 “Water Security in South India: A Coupled Socio-Hydrological Analysis of Community Decision Making and Ecosystem Services.” NSF Coupled Natural and Human Systems. (Co-PI) \$1.5 million. *Rejected.*

CONFERENCES

- 2019 “Breaking through the Linguistic Barrier: Government Language Policy and Migration in China.” With Hu Yue. Association of Chinese Political Studies and American Political Science Association.
- 2019 “Destination Choices for Migration within China.” With Hu Yue. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2018 “Destination Choices for Migration within China.” With Hu Yue. Association of Chinese Political Studies.
- 2018 “Environmental Shocks, Migration Patterns, and Civil Conflict.” With Sara McLaughlin Mitchell. ISA-FLACSO, Quito, Ecuador.

- 2018 “Political Action by Ethnic Minorities in China.” With Wenfang Tang. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2017 “Water for the Rich or the Poor? The Politics of Progress in Water.” With Jami Nelson-Nuñez. American Political Science Association and Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2017 “How Ethnic Identity Affects Perception of Social Status and Mobility in China.” With Yu “Erico” Dong. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2016 “How Out-Migration Improves Access to Drinking Water Provision in Rural China.” Association of Chinese Political Science.
- 2016 “Public Goods Spending and Ethnic Identity in Rural China.” American Political Science Association.
- 2016 “Strategic Targeting: The Islamic State Use of Violence in Iraq and Syria.” With Michael Burch. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2015 “Migration and Public Goods Provision in Rural China.” Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2014 “Linguistic Standardization and Economic Growth.” International Political Science Association, with Amy Liu.
- 2014 Colorful Guizhou International Indigenous Culture Forum, Panel Discussant.
- 2012 “Local Fights in National Conflicts: Understanding Patterns of Violence during Intrastate Conflict.” Midwest Political Science Association, with Michael Burch.
- 2011 “Linguistic Standardization and Economic Growth.” American Political Science Association, with Amy Liu.

INVITED TALKS

- 2018 Invited Speaker. Iowa State University. “Political Action among Ethnic Minorities in China.”
- 2018 Invited Speaker. Iowa City Foreign Relations Council. “Political Action among Ethnic Minorities in China.”

WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

- 2018 APSA Women’s Research Mentoring Workshop.
- 2018 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR). Syracuse University.

2018 “Environmental Protection as Development: Policy, Poverty, and Land Use in Rural China.” Southwest Workshop on Multi-Methods Research.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor, University of Iowa

Comparative Core. Graduate Level. (Spring 2019)
Global Development. Graduate Level. (Fall 2018)
Chinese Politics. Graduate Level. (Fall 2017)
Global Development. Undergraduate Level. (Spring 2017-2019)
Comparative Environmental Policy. Undergraduate Level. (Fall 2016-2018)
Revolutions and Political Violence. Undergraduate Level. (Fall 2016)

Instructor, University of Colorado

Revolutions and Political Violence. (Summer 2012, Fall 2015)
Problems in International Relations: The Illicit Economy. (Fall 2011)

Teaching Assistant, University of Colorado

Introduction to Comparative Politics. (Spring 2012, Spring 2015)
Introduction to International Relations. (Fall 2008, Spring & Fall 2009, Spring & Fall 2010, Spring 2011)

Graduate Teacher Program, University of Colorado, Participant. 2008-2015

English Teacher, Intensive Language Training Center, Sichuan University, Chengdu, China.
2004-2005

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

International Research:

2018 Guizhou, China. 111 Program. Guizhou Normal University visiting expert.

2017 Guizhou, China. Research consultant for World Bank research on poverty alleviation and agricultural cooperatives. Summer.

2014 Guizhou, China. Dissertation fieldwork. January-November.

2012 Guizhou, China. Pre-dissertation fieldwork. Summer.

2010 Tbilisi, Georgia. Fieldwork on Internally Displaced People and government aid projects. Summer.

Research Assistantships:

2011 “Linguistic Standardization 1970-2010” dataset constructed with Amy Liu.

2009 Militarized International Disputes with Aysegul Aydin.

SERVICE

- 2019 Discussant. Midwest Political Science Association. Grassroots Politics in China.
- 2019 Journal of Asian and African Studies, Reviewer
- 2019 PLOS ONE, Reviewer.
- 2018 & 2019 Stanley International Programs Awards. University of Iowa. Grant Proposal Reviewer.
- 2018 & 2019 Comprehensive Exam Committee. University of Iowa Political Science Department.
- 2018 & 2019 Fulbright Faculty Committee. University of Iowa.
- 2018 Executive Committee. University of Iowa Political Science Department.
- 2018 Graduate Climate and Professionalization Committee. University of Iowa Political Science Department
- 2017 & 2018 Invited Speaker. Undergraduate Political Science Association. University of Iowa.
- 2017-2018 Speaker's Committee, University of Iowa Political Science Department.
- 2017 University of Iowa and Guizhou Normal University. Contact Liaison.
- 2017 Invited Speaker. Kohn Colloquium. Department of Geography. University of Iowa.
- 2016-2017 Alumni Relations Committee, University of Iowa Political Science Department.
- 2011 Recruitment Coordinator, University of Colorado Political Science Department.
- 2008-2009 Mentors in Political Science, University of Colorado Political Science Department.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2013 GIS Consultant, Telluride Research Group.
- 2005-2007 NGO Development Volunteer, Peace Corps, Georgia (Republic of Georgia).
- 2001 Intern, Colorado Attorney General's Office, Denver, CO.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Political Science Association, Association of Chinese Political Studies, Midwest Political Science Association